



ASHRAE Board Policy Committee on Standards

AGENDA

Tuesday, January 15, 2002

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Crown Ballroom V
Sheraton Hotel
Atlantic City, NJ

1. Review of Action Items Hill

Check the Memo to File dated October 30, 2001 written by Claire that documented the actions of our October 23 meeting. There are action items there for Nance Lovvorn, Terry Townsend, Andy Persily, Jim Hill, and Mike Bilderbeck.

2. Seminar and Forum on the Hospitality Industry and Standard 62..... Hill

These two program events will be held back to back on Sunday morning, January 13. Jim Hill, Lee Burgett, and Dick Hayter are not available to attend. Andy Persily will attend. If any of Mike Bilderbeck, Terry Townsend, Nance Lovvorn, or Gordon Holness can also attend, we will share observations about the Seminar/Forum and their implication for action by the Board Policy Committee.

3. Boyce Committee Status Boyce

Darryl Boyce chairs two ad hoc committees that are evaluating the present or future role of ASHRAE standards. He will provide us a status report on the progress of his committees' work.

4. Revaluation of the Development of ASHRAE Standards for Code Implementation* Hill

When ASHRAE initially developed its high profile standards such as Standards 90 and 62, they were adopted in part or total into building codes. Recognizing that this resulted in potentially large societal impact, ASHRAE adopted a policy of directing the SPCs to write these standards in code language. It has been proposed that this is a flawed policy. It results in documents that on one hand are too complicated by use in building codes and on the other are not suitable for use by the design professionals and others because of the onerous statements of requirements. The Board Policy committee will discuss how this policy could be reevaluated and decide whether to initiate a review.

5. Providing a Process for Public Discourse on Contentious Issues in High Profile Standards*. Hill

Many of the contentious issues surrounding ASHRAE's high profile standards have vocal proponents on both sides. These proponents often have their say as part of the deliberations of the relevant SPC. However, the time for such discourse is often short due to the necessity of moving on and making progress in the completion of the Standard. The Board Policy Committee will discuss how they could provide an avenue for public discourse on these issues in the future. Possibilities are the sponsorship of Symposia on these issues where the proponents on both sides prepare peer-reviewed papers for presentations at Society meetings.

6. Adjourn Hill

*Jim Hill met with Bill Coad, Don Colliver, Jim Woods (Chair of the Environmental Health Committee), Tom Watson (Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee), Andy Persily (Chair of SSPC 62.1), and Martin Weiland in Washington, DC on January 3, 2002 to discuss ideas for improving the development of ASHRAE Standard 62.1. I made a commitment to the group that I would carry these two issues to the Board Policy Committee for discussion and possible action. Don't be dismayed if they are mentioned in Bill Coad's address at the President's Luncheon on Monday.